

TOWN COUNCIL

REVISED TO INDICATE THIS WAS ALSO REFERRED TO
THE ADMINISTRATION & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

December 22, 2008

TO: Tim Brennan, Chairman, Administration & Technology Committee
FROM: Essie S. Labrot, Town Clerk/Council Clerk *Essie Labrot*

The Town Council at its meeting held on December 9, 2008 adopted and referred to the Administration & Technology Committee under suspense the following resolution regarding a comprehensive energy plan for the Town of West Hartford.

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cc: Chris Johnson, Director of Financial Services
Joseph O'Brien, Corporation Counsel
Robert Palmer, Director of Plant Facilities
Ron Van Winkle, Acting Town Manager

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(Brennan, Slifka, Coursey, Cantor, Thornberry, Verrengia)